IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel., State Engineer,

Plaintiff,

No. 69cv07941-BB-ACE RIO CHAMA STREAM SYSTEM

Section 7

ROMAN ARAGON, et al.,

-vs-

Defendants.

CLAIM OF WATER RIGHTS

Steve Padilla, heretofore joined as an "unknown claimant of interest in the waters of the Rio Chama" herewith claims the following water rights:

SOURCE OF WATER: Rio Chama, a tributary of the Rio Grande

POINT OF DIVERSION: Willow Creek Mesa Ditch diversion,

located where X = 1,548,909 feet, Y =2,103,084 feet, New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, Central Zone, NAD

1983

PURPOSE OF USE: Irrigation

PRIORITY: Unknown

AMOUNT OF IRRIGATED

ACREAGE:

Approximately 3.0 acres within tract CHRU 004-0044A, Rio Chama Hydrographic Survey Rutheron & Plaza Blanca Section. This claim is intended to be for all of that part of CHRU 004-0044A lying to the South of the centerline of that certain roadway within Fort Heron Preserve subdivision known as "Fort Heron Loop", and within Lot C of Fort Heron Preserve Subdivision, which is more particularly shown on the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, at Book O-213, Page 3320. The irrigated acreage is subject to adjustment based on an accurate

survey allocating the acreage in tract

CHRU 004-0044A between Lots B, C, D, E, and F of Fort Heron Preserve Subdivision. All of the 7.3 irrigated acres of tract CHRU 004-0044A lies within Lots B, C, D, E, and F of that subdivision.

AMOUNT OF WATER:

Consumptive Use of .88 acre feet per acre per year; Farm headgate delivery amount: unknown; Diversion amount: unknown.

WHEREFORE, Steve A. Padilla requests that the Court adjudicate to him the foregoing water rights, and that he have such other and further relief to which he is entitled.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this July 15, 2004, I mailed a copy of the foregoing to Ed Newville, Special Assistant Attorney General, at New Mexico State Engineer Office, P.O. Box 25102, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-5102.

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